THE STATE OF TEXAS

\* GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### COUNTY OF KENEDY

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On the 7th day of September, 2012, at 8:00 o'clock a.m., a regular meeting and Public Hearings of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held in Sarita, Texas, at the Kenedy County Courthouse.

#### **Directors present:**

Chuck Burns, President Homero Vera, Vice-President Craig Weiland, Board Member Danny Butler, Board Member

#### Also present:

Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant Andy Garza, General Manager Bob Renbarger, Laborcitas Ranch

#### Absent:

Dave Delaney, Secretary

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Chuck Burns, President, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

#### 2. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

#### 3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of August 15, 2012, Regular Meeting

Chuck Burns presented to the Board the minutes of the August 15, 2012, regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District

Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously that the August 15, 2012, regular meeting minutes be passed as presented.

# 4. Receive General Manager's Activity Report and Act, If Necessary, Regarding:

- a. Region N meeting held on 8/16/2012
- b. Water Summit held on 8/28-8/30/2012
- c. Brush Country GCD's Public Hearing on Management Plan
- d. Educational materials update
- e. Update on well registrations
- f. Transfer of records from Mary Sahs' office
- g. Other

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported to the Board of Directors as follows:

- a. <u>Region N meeting held on 8/16/2012</u>: David Krebs has been appointed to represent small businesses on RWPG. Region N is now working on Cycle 4 of the regional water plan.
- b. Water Summit held on 8/28-8/30/2012: Andy Garza reported that the Summit had been a very positive experience for him. It was well organized, informative and attendance was high.
- c. <u>Brush Country GCD's Public Hearing on Management Plan</u>: Andy Garza reported that he had attended the public hearing on 8/31/2012 and that the comments submitted by the Kenedy County GCD had been well received and that at least 3 were incorporated into the plan.
- d. <u>Educational materials update</u>: The JUG kit was shown to the directors. It will be distributed to various schools and county agents.
- e. <u>Update on well registrations</u>: Andy Garza reported that all paperwork on well registrations had been transferred from Mary Sahs' office to the District office.
- f. Transfer of records from Mary Sahs' office: Same as item 4e.
- g. Other: Andy Garza handed out water-related news articles.

#### 5. Discuss & Act on Cancellation of November 2012 Elections

Leo Villarreal informed the Board of Directors that Chuck Burns and Daniel Butler were unopposed candidates as Directors of their respective Precincts; therefore, the November 6, 2012, election needed to be cancelled; and that Chuck Burns and Daniel Butler, the unopposed candidates, needed to be declared elected to their respective offices.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed and it is hereby:

#### NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF NOVEMBER 6, 2012, ELECTIONS

**RESOLVED** that in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code, Roy Ruiz, the Elections Administrator, hereby cancels the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District's election scheduled to be held on November 6, 2012, and that the following candidates are certified by the Kenedy County Elections Administrator as unopposed and are hereby elected as follows:

Chuck Burns – Director, Precinct 3 Daniel Butler – Director, Precinct 4

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Kenedy County Elections Administrator post a copy of the Notice of Cancellation of the November 6, 2012, Elections in each polling place that would have been used in the elections.

# 6. <u>Discuss & Act on Notification to All Elections Administration Offices in Kenedy, Brooks, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties of Cancellation of 2012 Elections</u>

Leo Villarreal informed the Board of Directors that the Elections Administration Offices in Kenedy, Brooks, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties needed to be notified of the cancellation of the 2012 elections.

Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Leo Villarreal sent letters and the Notice of Cancellation of Elections to each of the Elections Administrators in Kenedy, Brooks, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties.

#### 7. Hold Public Hearing on the Proposed 2013 Budget

Chuck Burns, at 8:25 a.m., announced that the public hearing on the Proposed 2013 Budget was now in session and welcomed members of the public to address the Board of Directors regarding the Proposed 2013 Budget.

No member of the public came forward to address the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District regarding the Proposed 2013 Budget; therefore, Chuck Burns closed the Proposed 2013 Budget public hearing at 8:30 a.m.

#### 8. Discuss & Act on Adoption of the 2013 Budget

Chuck Burns presented the Board of Directors the proposed 2013 Budget.

Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the proposed 2013 Budget of \$215,494.00 be adopted as presented, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

### 9. Hold Public Hearing on the Proposed 2012 Tax Rate

Chuck Burns, at 8:35 a.m., announced that the public hearing on the Proposed 2012 Tax Rate was now in session and welcomed members of the public to address the Board of Directors regarding the Proposed 2012 Tax Rate of \$.0153 per hundred valuation with no discounts.

No member of the public came forward to address the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District regarding the Proposed 2012 Tax Rate; therefore, Chuck Burns closed the Proposed 2012 Tax Rate public hearing at 8:40 a.m.

#### 10. Discuss & Act on Adoption of the 2012 Tax Rate

Chuck Burns presented the Board of Directors the proposed 2012 tax rate of \$.0153 per hundred valuation with no discounts.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2012 Tax Rate is \$.0153 per hundred valuation with no discounts be adopted.

#### 11. Discuss & Act on Date for Meeting to Certify 2012 Tax Roll

Chuck Burns informed the Board of Directors that a date for a Special Board Meeting would be needed to certify the tax roll and a date in October for the regular Board meeting.

Due to unavailability of information, no specific date could be selected. Leo Villarreal will contact the Tax and Appraisal Offices to determine a meeting date.

#### 12. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills

Chuck Burns presented the bills to the Board of Directors for consideration and payment.

Craig Weiland moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the bills be paid as presented.

# 13. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Danny Butler moved Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

David Delaney, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:

Chuck Burns, President

# Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District 2013 ADOPTED BUDGET September 7, 2012

#### Income:

Ad Valorem Taxes	215,394.48
Interest Income	100.00

**TOTAL INCOME:** 

\$215,494.48

# **Expenditures:**

Pro	fessional	Servi	ces:
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Manager	50,000.00
Technical Services	7,000.00
Audit	6,500.00
Tax Office Commission	6,500.00
Appraiser Fees	4,400.00
Legal	45,000.00

Total Professional Services: \$119,400.00

# Operating Expenses:

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Accounting	500.00
Bank Charges	150.00
Computer/Software	7,500.00
Contingency	5,000.00
Continuing Education	1,500.00
Dues & Subscriptions	750.00
Election Costs	0.00
Equipment	1,500.00
Joint Planning/GMA-16	18,000.00
Liability Insurance	3,000.00
Manager's Health Insurance	8,000.00
Manager's Cell Phone	0.00
Manager's Travel & Education	5,000.00
Maps & Records	4,000.00
Manager's Mileage	6,000.00
Office Supplies	2,000.00
Office Long Distance	1,000.00
Postage	250.00
Public Education Brochure	2,000.00
Public Notices	1,500.00
Surety Bonds	1,000.00
Taxes – Payroll	5,000.00
Travel	2,500.00
Water Quality Projects	0.00
Water Testing/Lab	1,500.00
Website/Database	3,500.00
Well Monitoring	10,000.00
Worker's Compensation	300.00
Total Operational Expanses	

Total Operational Expenses: \$91,450.00

**TOTAL EXPENSES:** 

\$210,850.00